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## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

## FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

GABRIEL SILVA-CHAVEZ,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 07-30126

D.C. No. CR-06-00198-15-RSL

MEMORANDUM\*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington Robert S. Lasnik, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted January 14, 2008\*\*

Before: HALL, O'SCANNLAIN, and PAEZ, Circuit Judges.

Gabriel Silva-Chavez appeals from his guilty-plea conviction and 87-month sentence for conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(B), and 846.

<sup>\*</sup> This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. See Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), Silva-Chavez's counsel has filed a brief stating there are no grounds for relief and moving to withdraw as counsel of record. We have provided Silva-Chavez the opportunity to file a pro se supplemental brief. No pro se supplemental brief or answering brief has been filed.

Our independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 80-81 (1988), discloses no grounds for relief on direct appeal.

Accordingly, counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**, and the district court's judgment is **AFFIRMED**.